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No. 288.—C.S.O.

*Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 22nd February, 1879.*

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased, by virtue of the power and authority conferred upon him by Her Majesty's Royal Instructions, to appoint, by an instrument under the Public Seal of the Colony, JAMES HENRY THOMAS, Esquire, to be an unofficial Member of the Executive Council of the Colony, provisionally, and until Her Majesty's pleasure shall be known.

By His Excellency's Command,
ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

No. 289.—C.S.O.

*Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 22nd February, 1879.*

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased permanently to appoint Mr. M. A. C. FRASER to be Clerk in the Governor's Office.

By His Excellency's Command,
ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

No. 292.—C.S.O.

*Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 24th February, 1879.*

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the Resignation of the Honorable HENRY HICKS HOCKING as a Member of the Legislative Council.

By His Excellency's Command,
ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

No. 277.—C.S.O.

Immigration from the Australasian Colonies.

*Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 6th February, 1879.*

WHEREAS a notice with the above heading was published in the *Government Gazette* of March 30th, 1875, whereby it was

notified that certain passage money would be paid to persons introducing from the Australasian Colonies European Immigrants of the laboring classes, and that certain assistance towards the passages of the wives and families of persons so introduced would also be allowed; Notice is now given, that the above Notice of March 30th, 1875, is cancelled, and that from and after the date of this Notice no such passage money will be paid.

Persons interested in this matter will also take notice that grants of land are still made to Immigrants, but under conditions somewhat different to those set forth in the said Notice of March 30th, 1875. The conditions under which those grants are now made are to be found in the Land Regulations published on the 10th September, 1878.

By His Excellency's Command,
ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

No. 290.—C.S.O.

*Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 24th February, 1879.*

HIS Excellency the Governor directs the publication of the following Notices to Mariners, for general information.

By His Excellency's Command,
ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

Hydrographic Notice.

[No. 31.]

AUSTRALIA DIRECTORY, VOL. II.
NOTICE No. 25.

CORAL SEA.

The following information relating to Brampton island and reefs has been furnished by Lieutenant G. E. Richards, commanding H.M. Surveying Schooner *Renard*, 1878.*

(All bearings are Magnetic. Variation 9° Easterly in 1878.)

BAMPTON ISLAND, in lat. 19° 08' S., long. 158° 38' 35" E., is 200 yards long and 120 yards broad: its height, including the bushes, being 17 feet. It is surrounded by the usual

fringe reef, extending to a distance of 400 yards from the shore on the East side, and to 150 yards on the remaining sides.

Anchorage may be obtained in from 6 to 10 fathoms on a patch on the West side; the centre of the island bearing N.E., distant one mile.

Sand Cay.—At 2 miles west from Bampton island is a sand cay, always uncovered, 100 yards long, lying on the eastern edge of a circular reef, one mile in diameter, having an opening in the West side, and depths of 3 to 5 fathoms within, tolerably clear of patches.

Between Bampton island and this sand cay the depth varies from 17 to 39 fathoms; but northward of the island the depth suddenly increases considerably. To the southward of Bampton island for a distance of about 2 miles, the average depth is 26 fathoms, coral grit.

North Bampton Reef.—At a distance of 3 miles N.E. from Bampton island is the commencement of the North Bampton reef, which, from this point, extends $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles in a north-east direction, thence to the south-eastward and eastward for $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles, terminating in a sand cay in lat. $19^{\circ} 04' 40''$ S., long. $158^{\circ} 48' 50''$ E.

Eastward of this cay is a passage, 2 miles across, with 7 to 14 fathoms, coral bottom, to the edge of another reef which extends in a northerly direction in broken patches for a distance of 8 miles, to the extreme North point of Bampton reef, which forms an elbow, or sharp point, in lat. $18^{\circ} 56' 30''$ S., long. $158^{\circ} 52' 2''$ E. The eastern side, extending to a distance of $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles in a south-east direction, whence, at a distance of one mile in an easterly direction, is a small horse-shoe reef, the curve being one mile in length.

North-east Bampton Reef.—At one mile S.E. from this horse-shoe reef is the east extreme of North-east Bampton reef, which trends $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles in a S.E. direction, thence sharply to the S.W. for the same distance, thus forming a right angle, having a sand cay (always uncovered) at the right angle, and three small cays in the Northern portion.

Anchorage.—Fair anchorage was obtained in 14 fathoms, coral, within this reef, with the large cay bearing E. by N. $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Foul ground extends about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles from this cay.

RENARD ISLAND, in lat. $19^{\circ} 13' 35''$ S., long. $158^{\circ} 56' 40''$ E., lies $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the south end of North-east Bampton reef, and resembles the Avon isles in appearance. It is 300 yards long, 200 yards broad, and 20 feet high, including the bushes.

Renard island is surrounded on all sides except the west with a fringe reef extending 300 yards from the shore.

Anchorage can be obtained on the N.W. or west sides of Renard island, sheltered from south-easterly winds, in 9 to 14 fathoms, care being taken to avoid a rocky patch (which can easily be seen from the masthead) with 9 feet on it at low-water. From this patch the centre of Renard island bears E. by N. $\frac{1}{4}$ N., distant one mile.

South-east Bampton Reef.—At $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles S.E. by S. from Renard island is the north extreme of South-east Bampton reef, which extends in a southerly direction for 10 miles; south-westward of the south extreme of this reef is a patch of coral having a sand cay in the centre, on which the party from the *Renard* discovered two skeletons.

At 5 miles S.W. from this cay are some detached reefs, which did not appear to extend for any considerable distance; but it seems probable that they continue in a southerly direction to lat. $19^{\circ} 50'$ S., the parallel in which the master of the whaler *Velocity* reported having seen breakers, in 1876.

Winds and Weather.—From the beginning of April to the early part of May winds from S.E. to E.S.E. were experienced. After that time to the middle of May the wind was not so steady, veering to E.N.E., accompanied by rain. South-westerly squalls with rain were occasionally experienced, but did not last long. South-easterly winds, force 3 to 5, were accompanied by fine weather.

Currents.—The prevailing current was observed by the *Renard* to run to N.W. and W.N.W., about $1\frac{1}{2}$ knots; but close to the reefs southerly and south-westerly currents were sometimes experienced.

Tides.—As far as could be judged, the flood tide sets to the south-west, the ebb to the north-east, but no satisfactory result could be obtained.

It is high water, full and change, at Renard island at 8h. 20m.; springs rise 5 feet (approximate).

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
2nd September, 1878.

* See Admiralty Chart:—Coral sea and Great Barrier reefs, No. 2763; Also, Australia Directory, Vol. II., second edition, page 329.

Hydrographic Notice.

[No. 37.]

AUSTRALIA DIRECTORY, VOL. II.

NOTICE No. 26.

The following information relating to Somerset and Thursday island, Torres Strait, is extracted from a report presented to the Queensland Government by the Hon. John Douglas, C.M.G., 1878.*

TORRES STRAIT.

Somerset.—The Government establishment has been transferred to Thursday island, but a private firm occupies the buildings and sheds for a pearl fishing station. The mail steam vessels have ceased calling, and it is no longer the head quarters of the pearl fishery.

At port Albany, opposite Somerset, there is also a pearl fishing station consisting of cottages, sheds, &c. There are several fishing boats belonging to this and the station at Somerset.

Thursday Island (Wai-ben).—The settlement at Thursday island is on Vivien point, the south-west extreme of the island and consists of some half dozen detached buildings, including the Magistrate's house on a commanding knoll about 50 feet above high water, a Court house, Police quarters, &c., with a few scattered buildings to the eastward. The site of the township extends for a mile along a sandy beach opposite the anchorage, rising gradually to the summit of a ridge extending east and west. Thursday island will be found more convenient than Somerset as a centre for the pearl shell fishery, which appears to have obtained a permanent character. A small sailing cutter which also answers for a pilot vessel is attached to the Government establishment for visiting the neighboring islands and supervising the fisheries.

The fishing is carried on in small vessels varying in size from 3 to 30 tons; the islanders and natives from the neighborhood being employed, many of them have acquired great skill as "apparatus" divers, and earn very good wages. There is also a prospect that a demand for some of the commodities of the settlements may be stimulated in New Guinea in exchange for the products of that island. Already, many of the articles which constitute the equipment of the native pearl fishers find their way across Torres strait.

Ellis channel, which is the direct channel from Thursday island to Cape York not being adapted for vessels drawing more than 16 feet water, the mail steam vessels will have to enter and depart by Normanby sound, which involves a detour of 10 miles, but to compensate for this, the anchorage will no doubt prove to be much safer than that at Albany Pass.

Wai-weer islet, 2 miles W.N.W. from Vivien point, is occupied as a fishing station. A flag-staff and signal station is on its summit, at about 45 feet above the sea.

Goode island (Palilug).—On the summit of Goode island about 250 feet high, there is a flag-staff and signal station, the house for the signal man being about 50 feet below, and facing the north-west. From the station, around which the wood has been cleared, there is an uninterrupted view of both the ocean and the islands, and all vessels passing through either the Prince of Wales channel or Normanby sound must be sighted.

Hydrographic Office, Admiralty, London,
30th September, 1878.

* See Admiralty charts:—Torres strait, sheet L. No. 2375; Australia north and east coast, sheet xx, No. 2351; and plan of Normanby sound and Prince of Wales channel, No. 601; also Australia Directory, Vol. II., pages 208 and 240.

DEPARTMENT OF LAND TITLES.

$\frac{10}{1879}$ Transfer of Land Act, 1874.

TAKE NOTICE that Thomas Campbell Carey of the Vasse Esquire has made application to be certificated as the owner of an estate in fee simple in possession in the following parcel of land situate in the Wellington District viz:—

Location No. 239

as the same is described in the maps and books of the Survey Office and is of record therein.

The location was originally granted to Alfred Richardson Bunbury.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that all other persons claiming to have any estate right title or interest in the above land are hereby required to lodge with the Registrar of Titles on or before the 25th day of February next a caveat forbidding the same from being brought under the Act.

J. C. H. JAMES,
Commissioner of Land Titles.

January 31st, 1879.

$\frac{13}{1879}$ Transfer of Land Act, 1874.

TAKE NOTICE that William McCormick of Fremantle formerly a military pensioner has made application to be certificated as the owner of an estate in fee simple in possession in the following parcel of land situate in the city of Perth viz:—

Building Lot W 67

as the same is described in the maps and books of the Survey Office and is of record therein.

The allotment has frontages upon Mackie Street Short Street and Nash Street and was originally granted to William Boyle.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that all other persons claiming to have any estate right title or interest in the above land are hereby required to lodge with the Registrar of Titles on or before the 21st day of March next a caveat forbidding the same from being brought under the Act.

J. C. H. JAMES,
Commissioner of Land Titles.

February 21st, 1879.

No. 291.—C.S.O.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Perth, 24th February, 1879.

HIS Excellency The Governor directs the publication of the following Abstract of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Colony of Western Australia, for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1878, for general information.

By His Excellency's Command,
 ROGER TUCKERD. GOLDSWORTHY,
 Colonial Secretary.

Abstract of the Revenue of the Colony of Western Australia, for the Quarter ended December 31st, 1878.

HEADS OF REVENUE.	AMOUNT.		
	£	s.	d.
Customs	24259	6	8
Harbor Dues	735	4	0
Land Sales	1248	16	4
Land Revenue	635	6	3
Rents (exclusive of Land)	5	0	0
Transfer Duties	52	7	6
Licenses	150	12	0
Postages	1690	4	2
Commission on Money Orders	29	13	7
Telegrams	1058	7	1
Fines, Forfeitures, and Fees of Court	644	9	2
Fees of Office	481	1	0
Rottnest Native Penal Establishment	209	16	5
Sale of Government Property	41	9	11
Reimbursements	693	13	3
Railway Receipts	36	18	11
Royalty on Guano	2066	9	9
Refunds	296	7	1
Special Receipts	300	0	0
Contributions under 30th Vict., No. 13	3	3	3
Penalties under do.	149	16	10
Interest	261	15	5
Special Receipts North District	278	9	3
Miscellaneous Services	184	6	6
Commissariat Chest on Account of Police and Magistracy	35512	14	4
	3250	0	0
TOTAL	38762	14	4

Audit Office, Perth, February 22nd, 1879.

E. L. COURTHOPE, Auditor-General.

NOTE.—This Abstract includes the Receipts at Roebourne for 4 months.

Abstract of the Expenditure of the Colony of Western Australia, for the Quarter ended December 31st, 1878.

HEADS OF SERVICE.	AMOUNT.		
	£	s.	d.
Civil List Schedule G., 33rd Vict., No 13	1120	0	0
His Excellency The Governor	73	9	0
The Legislature	129	5	0
Colonial Secretary's Department	203	9	0
Treasury	133	15	0
Audit Department	205	0	0
Land Titles do.	212	10	0
Registry do.	55	0	0
Survey do.	1306	14	5
Office of Works	820	11	9
Geraldton and Northampton Railway	5503	11	4
Customs Department	908	12	5
Postal and Telegraph Department	6393	10	11
Harbor and Light do.	754	17	11
Administration of Justice	2449	7	9
Medical Department	1698	3	4
Police do.	5212	4	7
Gaols do.	1336	12	4
Rottnest Penal Establishment	501	19	1
Government Printing Department	374	1	0
Inspectors of Sheep	312	10	0
Education	1730	1	4
Poor House and Charitable Allowances	1372	3	6
Immigration	75	2	3
Pensions	279	5	2
Ecclesiastical Services	866	0	0
Works and Buildings	2732	16	6
Roads and Bridges	1787	10	0
Miscellaneous Services	6139	15	5
Aborigines	246	11	7
Crown Agents			
Refunds	126	17	9
Interest on Loans	1436	0	0
TOTAL	46497	8	4

Audit Office, Perth, February 22nd, 1879.

E. L. COURTHOPE, Auditor-General.

NOTE.—This Abstract includes the Expenditure at Roebourne for 4 months.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Meteorological Observations for the week ending 21st February, 1879.

WIND Registered by Mr. Forsyth, Harbor Master, at Arthur's Head, Fremantle; altitude above the sea 55 feet, in Latitude 32° 02' 14" S., Longitude 115° 45' 12" E.

The other instruments registered are placed in the grounds adjoining the Survey Office, Perth; altitude above the sea 47 feet, in Latitude 31° 57' 25" S., Longitude 115° 52' 02" E.

MALCOLM FRASER,
 Surveyor General.

Week ending.	BAROMETER: Mean Reading corrected, and reduced to sea level, and 32 deg. Fah.	THERMOMETERS IN SHADE.				RADIATION THERMOMETERS.		RAIN: Amount in inches.	WIND.		DEGREE OF HUMIDITY: Saturation = 100: mean amount.	CLOUD: Mean amount.	EVAPORATION: Mean amount.	EVAPORATION: Amount in inches.
		Dry.		Wet.		Solar.	Terrestrial.		Horizontal velocity in miles, per 24 hours.	General direction.				
		Maximum.	Minimum.	Maximum.	Minimum.									
21st	29.979	89.7	60.4	79.7	56.3	144.7	54.0	0	427.34	E.S.E.	66	0	5.8	2.04

Highest reading of Barometer 30.126 21st
 Lowest do. do. 29.872 15th

Thermometers in shade. { Maximum Day 101 15th
 { Minimum Day 58 16th

The Observations are taken at 10 a.m., (excepting Barometer, which is registered at 12 a.m.)

M. A. C. FRASER,
 Observer.

LAND SALES.

Crown Lands' Office, Perth, 24th February, 1879.

THE undermentioned Allotments of Land will be offered for Sale, at Public Auction, on the date and at the places specified in the Schedule below, at one o'clock, p.m.

SCHEDULE.

Date of Sale.	Place of Sale.	Description of Lot.	Number of Lot.	Quantity.			Upset Price.
				a.	r.	p.	
1879.							
March 5	Bunbury ...	Bridgetown ... Town	28	2	2	15	} £3 per lot. 30s. per acre.
Do.	Do.	Do. Do.	83	2	1	0	
Do.	Do.	Do. Do.	88	2	1	0	
Do.	Perth	Pinjarrah ... Sub.	18	3	2	21	

MALCOLM FRASER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Crown Lands' Office,
Perth, 22nd February, 1879.

RETURN of Applications to Purchase
Crown Lands approved during January,
1879:—

No.	Applicants.	Acres.	PURCHASE MONEY.		
			£	s.	d.
AVON.					
1013	Wm. Connell* ...	100	25	5	0
1022	R. Gallop, junr. ...	40	20	0	0
1024	Jno. T. Britt ...	40	20	0	0
KENT.					
54	Jno. Wellstead ...	100	50	0	0
KOJONUP.					
141	Wm. J. Noonan ...	40	20	0	0
143	Eli Quartermaine ...	40	20	0	0
144	Elijah Quartermaine	40	20	0	0
145	Do.	40	20	0	0
MELBOURNE.					
552	Edwd. Roberts ...	108	54	0	0
SWAN.					
818	Geo. Sewell ...	40	20	0	0
821	Jno. O'Neil ...	40	20	0	0
822	Do. ...	52	26	0	0
824	Jno. Buckingham ...	40	20	0	0
VICTORIA.					
1221	Edwd. W. Wass ...	87	43	10	0
1222	Wm. Narracarrow ...	60	30	0	0
WELLINGTON.					
386	Pat. Garvey ...	40	20	0	0
WILLIAMS.					
129	Eliza Crane ...	40	20	0	0
130	W. Bingham* ...	100	6	10	0
131	J. Druley* ...	100	9	0	0

* Clause 46.

MALCOLM FRASER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

The Bankruptcy Act, 1871.

IN THE SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of Frank de la Motte Johnston, a bankrupt.

JOHN Charles Chipper, of Perth, licensed victualler, has been appointed trustee of the property of the bankrupt. The Court has appointed the public examination of the bankrupt to take place at the Supreme Court House, Perth, on Monday, the 10th day of March, 1879, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

All persons having in their possession any of the effects of the bankrupt must deliver them to the trustee, and all debts due to the bankrupt must be paid to the trustee.

Creditors who have not yet proved their debts must forward their proofs of debts to the trustee.

Dated this 24th day of February, 1879.

JAMES COWAN,
Registrar.

Comptroller's Office,
Fremantle, 22nd February, 1879.

HIS Excellency The Governor has been pleased to revoke the Tickets-of-Leave of the undermentioned Convicts:—

Reg. No. 9556 James Robertson
" 9653 William Austin
" 9681 James Campbell

JOHN F. STONE,
Comptroller.

NOTICE.

I HAVE applied to the Geraldton Roads Board for permission to close the old road running through my paddocks at Tibbradden, in Pastoral Lease No. 9207. Said road lying south of the present main road to the eastward.

JOHN S. DAVIS.

Tibbradden, 20th February, 1879.

For Sale at the Government Printing Office.

PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES: containing the debates in the Legislative Council during the Sessions of 1876 and 1877, Vols. I & II. Price, half-bound, 7s. 6d. boards, 5s.